

LIVELY HEARING ON CHARTER AMENDMENT

Held Before Portsmouth Delegation With Large Attendance of Citizens.

At a hearing before the Portsmouth delegation to the legislature, held at the Council chamber last evening to express opinions on the bills now before the legislature to amend the city charter it was the sentiment of the gathering that the bill to reduce the present board of instruction to three members, and the bill to reduce the present city council to four members, and the mayor should be reported unfavorable while the bills to create a board of public works, the bill to reduce the board of registrars of voters to seven men with a saving of \$600 a year and that which calls for the election of the board of tax assessors by the people and making one of the members act as clerk to be reported favorable.

The meeting was called to order

by chairman Frank J. Philbrick, with practically all of the delegation present and a large number of citizens. E. P. Stodard was chosen clerk.

The meeting was the liveliest for many years, and at times it got away from the chairman and personalities were indulged in, and it became a wrangle rather than a hearing.

Representative Hackett opened the meeting by stating that the members of the delegation were sitting as jury and they were there to hear any expression of opinion that the citizens might make on any of the bills. He said that the majority of the bills were introduced by him, but it was after consultation in many cases with citizens. For instance the public works bill was presented at the request of several prominent merchants and business men. The origin of the school bill was from people who were interested in

the schools, and it was drawn after a consultation with State Superintendent Morrison and Supt. Silver. In his estimation all of the bills should pass, they were for the betterment of the city and he knew of no good objection that could be raised to them.

The bill for the amendment of the city charter to reduce the board of education was then read by Chairman Philbrick. The bill is as follows:

An Act to Revise the Charter of the City of Portsmouth, in Relation to the Board of Education

Section 1. That section 15, chapter 212, of the Laws of the State of New Hampshire, passed at the January session, 1905, being an act to amend the charter of the city of Portsmouth, is hereby repealed, to take effect on the first week-day of January, 1910.

Section 2. The general management and control of the public schools and of the buildings and property pertaining thereto shall be vested in a board of education consisting of three members who shall be elected by the voters of said city at the annual city election.

The first election under this act shall occur on the second Tuesday of December, 1909, at which time there shall be nominated at large and elected three citizens who shall constitute the board of education. One shall be nominated and elected to serve for one year; one shall be nominated and elected to serve for two years; and one shall be nominated and elected to serve for three years. They shall assume the duties of office on the first week-day of January, 1910. They shall elect one of their number chairman of the board, who shall receive from the city treasurer one hundred (\$100) dollars per annum as compensation for his services as member of the board and chairman thereof. The other two members shall receive each fifty dollars (\$50) per

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KITTERY LETTER

A Light Keeper Has Paralysis

Lincoln Day with the Grand Army

A Successful Whist Party at Kittery Point

Lincoln Day in the Schools and the Kittery Churches

Kittery, Me., Feb. 9.

On Thursday evening next at 7.30 p. m. in the Second Christian church, a public meeting to which all are invited, will be given under the auspices of E. G. Parker Post, No. 99, Grand Army, Col. Mark F. Wentworth Camp, No. 20, Sons of Veterans, and the Ladies' Auxiliary in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. The address of the evening will be given by Rev. E. T. Pitts of Eliot and Mr. H. P. Abbott also of Eliot, will give a reading entitled "Oh Why Should the Spirit of Mortals be Proud?" A male quartet will sing and there will also be singing by the school children and other exercises.

Rev. Bernard Copping of Stratham was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Dennett over Sunday.

Miss Mattie Langton is the guest of her mother at the Point, who is sick.

Mrs. Alfred Gogins is improving from her illness.

Mrs. Frank Call of Love Lane is ill at her home.

Mr. C. R. Wasgatt is to have charge of the time keeping and making up the pay rolls of the four consolidated departments on the navy yard.

Mr. John Lawson of South Berwick has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawson of the Rogers road.

Mrs. Waldo W. Ladd, who was taken to the Portsmouth Cottage Hospital on Saturday last, was operated upon this morning.

Mrs. Burnham of Kennebunk has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mae Gogins, who has been ill with appendicitis.

About twenty of the young friends of Miss Gladys Johnson tendered her a surprise party at her home on Government street on Monday evening. The evening was very pleasantly spent by all with games, singing, etc., after which refreshments were served.

Mr. Joseph Jenkins of Otis avenue, who is over ninety-two years of age, is confined to his home by illness.

Mr. William Waldron, who is ill with poisoning from eating a cabbage, is improving slowly.

Rev. C. LeV. Brine, rector of Christ church, Portsmouth, was a recent visitor in town.

The Mothers' Jewels of the Second

Methodist church are to have a valentine and Lincoln social in the vestry of the church on Friday afternoon from two until four o'clock. Ice cream and cake will be on sale. All invited.

Mr. Walton Mitchell, superintendent of the town farm, has been visiting in Portsmouth.

At the regular meeting of River side Lodge of Odd Fellows on Monday evening one candidate was given the initiatory degree.

Next Sunday morning at 10.30 the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Auxiliary will attend the Second Methodist church in a body to listen to an address on Lincoln by Rev. Daniel Onstott. Parker Post, Grand Army, will assemble at headquarters at 10 a. m. to march to the church.

Mr. Fred Ford Locke is gaining every day and is now able to sit up the greater part of the time at the Jamestown N. Y. hospital.

Exercises in commemoration of the birth of Lincoln will be held at 8.30 a. m. on Thursday at Trist Academy, to which the public is invited.

There will be an installation of officers at Whipple Lodge of Good Templars, No. 93, in Grange Hall on Wednesday evening, after which refreshments will be served.

Mr. Oliver P. Philbrick was a visitor in Roxbury, Mass., over Sunday.

During the illness of their mother the children of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo W. Ladd are visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lando Ladd of Portsmouth.

There is to be no school on Friday, it being Lincoln's birthday.

Miss Ida Blaisdell of Portsmouth, bookkeeper for Mr. Clarence M. Prince, is again confined to her home by illness.

Kittery Point

A very enjoyable whist party was held on Monday evening in Golden Cross Hall. There were ten tables playing. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. P. Chase, Captain and Mrs. T. B. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Patch, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Frisbee, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Tobey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Getchell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown, Mr. and Mrs. William Symonds, Miss L. Grindley, Miss Florence Austin, Miss Gussie Phillips, Miss Rachel Cutts, Miss Lillian Walker, Messrs. Charles E. Tolman, E. M. Sadler, Harold Frisbee, H. Thompson, Harold Walker, George Terry and Richard Hardy. Neapolitan ice cream and cake was served. Mrs. T. B. Hoyt received the lady's first prize and Hiram Thomson received the gentleman's first prize; Mrs. Fred J. P. Chase the lady's booby and William Symonds the gentleman's booby.

Miss Lizzie Kane, Miss Margaret Kelley and Miss M. Rossiter of Dover are visiting Mrs. John Randall for a few days.

Mr. Card, keeper at Fort Constitution light at New Castle, was stricken on last Saturday with paralysis.

Captain H. A. Marden, who has been confined to his home for the past few days, returned to work on Monday.

Burgess Hart returned to his home in Cambridge today, after an extended visit to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Keene.

KIT POINT

The body of Annie M. Lewis, who died on Saturday at Derry, N. H., was brought here this forenoon by Undertaker O. W. Ham for burial in the Chapel cemetery. She was aged seventy-seven years.

U. S. WEATHER PREDICTION

Tuesday night and Wednesday—Snow or rain.

VETERAN KEEPER ILL

Much sympathy is expressed for the veteran lighthouse keeper, Joshua Card, who is very ill at his home in New Castle. Mr. Card who handles the lamps at Fort Point is one of the oldest keepers on the coast.

Bilious? Feel heavy after dinner? Tongue coated? Bitter taste? Complexion sallow? Liver needs waking up. Doan's Regulets cure bilious attacks. 25 cents at any drug store.

WON'T HAVE HOLIDAY ON LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

Plan Is for the Bill to Be Killed in the Senate This Afternoon

Concord, Feb. 9.—Both houses of the legislature held short sessions this forenoon.

In the senate the time was nearly all devoted to receiving bills from the house and referring them to committees. Among the bills so received was the one to make Feb. 12, 1909, the centennial of President Lincoln's birth, a legal holiday in New Hampshire. This was referred to the judiciary committee. It is stated this afternoon that the committee will report "legislation inexpedient" and that the senate will adopt the report.

The senate received a favorable committee report on the bill to exempt from taxation the Home for Aged Women at Portsmouth.

Senator Entwistle of Portsmouth has issued a denial of the story that he is in favor of moving the State House to Manchester. If it is to be moved, he contends that Portsmouth is the right place and that \$1,500,000 could be raised in the city by the sea

for the purpose. He would be happy to welcome the next legislature to his home city and will assure the people that it can be done with no expense to the state.

In the House a large number of committee reports were presented. Among those was a favorable report on the bill to expend \$1200 in the refurnishing and repairing of the supreme court room. The bills for bounty on foxes and increased protection on smelts in the Piscataqua river and tributaries were reported inexpedient. The bill to require doors of public buildings to open outward was reported with an additional section to make it the duty of the county commissioners to inspect such buildings and notify the county solicitor of violations of the law. The appropriation bill for the state's Lincoln day observance was passed under a suspension of the rules, the amount being finally fixed at \$300. The bill for taxation of collateral inheritances was reported favorably and ordered printed.

WANTS HIS MONEY BACK

Junk Man Who Bought Old Navy Yard Dry Dock Claims He Was Misled

A year ago this month the junk firm of Samuel D. Butters of Boston purchased the old wooden dry dock at the navy yard for the sum of \$36,400 and towed the same to Revere Beach where the old hulk was burned for what metal it contained.

The bidder, Mr. Butters claims that he has met with a big loss in the purchase of the dock and that in the sale of the same he was misled regarding the amount of wood and other valuable material in the structure which caused him to offer such a big amount in excess of the several other bidders and now asks the government to refund him \$23,000 to square the matter up.

Butters overbid the second man on the list of proposals by the sum of \$23,400, the second offer being only \$11,000.

The navy department has ordered a board consisting of Capt. C. J. Bouch, Lieutenant Commander A. E. Hoff and Capt. William T. Lyons, U. S. N. C., to investigate the claim and to look into the conditions surrounding the sale of the dock. The board has recently viewed the remains of the dock where it was burned on the shore at Point of Pines and will shortly make a report to the navy department at Washington.

EVENTS OF ELIOT

Portsmouth Visitors to the Grange

Risky Sliding by the Boys About Spinney's Creek

Eliot, Me., Feb. 9.

Lewis Hanson is working for J. W. Young in Berwick.

Thirty-two grangers from Portsmouth and sixteen from other places visited the John F. Hill Grange on Monday evening. The third and fourth degrees were worked on a class of five. The entertainment consisted of songs by A. W. Nowell and dramatic recitations by Ernest O. Seare and Wallace Dixon. A bean and salad supper was a decided success. Speeches were made by Amos O. Benfield, master of Strawberry Bank Grange of Portsmouth and several others.

Some of the boys around Spinney's Creek are sliding on the ice in a way that looks to the spectators as if it involved pretty large risks. They slide toward the water and in the next instant have got the sled runners wet. Several of them have falls and do a little boyish ice yachting.

ling along the edge of the creek where a sudden loss of control of the sled might send them into the open channel.

Rev. J. E. Jones of South Maduro, India, is to speak in the Eliot Congregational church on Thursday evening. Mr. Jones is the missionary for whose support this church has for several years made direct contribution.

The browntail moths have been cleared from some places and the work is getting urgent. The winter storms tear open the nests and some of the eggs fall to the ground where they appear to hatch as readily as on the trees.

WELL KNOWN PHOTOGRAPHER DEAD

Mr. Lewis G. Davis Passes Away At His Daughter's Home on Islington Street

Mr. Lewis G. Davis an aged and much respected citizen of this city died on Monday evening at the home of his daughter Mrs. Robert I. Sugden, No. 188 Islington street. He was 75 years of age and a native of this city. With his brother he was engaged for many years in the photographers business on Congress street from which they retired some years ago.

He leaves two sons and two daughters. The Half and Half Club will again take up social life after Lent.

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THE FOREST RESERVE

Fewer than a score of working days remain for the present Congress, yet there seems to be good reason for thinking that some law will be enacted for the national government to acquire and hold forest lands needed for the conservation of the country's river waters. Speaker Cannon is stated on good authority to have approved the bill for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to be devoted to that purpose this year, with the expectation of similar expenditures to be made in the future.

That is good news to New England, for it means a partial victory in the plans for a forest reserve that shall safeguard the great water reservoirs for the Connecticut, Merrimack, Saco and Androscoggin rivers and a considerable number of their tributaries.

It is not too much to say that the direct personal welfare of six hundred thousand people in manufacturing villages and cities in five states depends upon the perpetuation of the water powers of those four rivers. The number indirectly dependent it is needless to estimate.

Let it be done and done quickly.

STATE TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Will be Held on March 25 and 27 in New Hampshire

The state department of public instruction has issued the following notice:

Examination for state teachers' certificates will be held March 25, 27. Attention is called to the fact that eligibility to district superintendencies is conditioned upon these examinations.

No person will be admitted to examinations who does not file application on or before March 23.

Forms of application and general information may be obtained from the superintendent of public instruction. The examinations will be held at Concord, and at other points in the state, provided the number of candidates will warrant.

THE NAVAL BAND WILL PLAY

By courtesy of Rear Admiral B. K. Moore U. S. N. the United States Naval Band will furnish music for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln which will be held in Freeman's hall, Friday evening, Feb. 12. The committee have issued a very attractive program for the occasion.

PARISH RECEPTION

The annual parish reception and supper of the Unitarian parish, will be held this evening at the chapel on Court street. The Unitarian choir will give a musical program.

LIVELY HEARING ON CHARTER AMENDMENT

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annum for their services members of the board. At each annual city election thereafter there shall be nominated at large and elected one member of the board of education to serve for the term of three years, who shall take the place of the member whose term it is to expire on the first week day of the following January. They shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. Vacancies shall be filled by election by members of the board of education.

Section 2. The appropriation for schools shall be determined by the city council, and after the passage of the annual budget the sum thereon appropriated shall be transferred to the control of the board of education, who shall be accountable to the city council for its expenditure.

Section 3. All vacancies in the board of education shall be filled by the city council.

Section 4. This act shall take effect on its passage.

Mr. Hackett spoke in favor of the bill on the ground that it was endorsed by the State Superintendent and that it had been worked out in many cities. That Berlin was using such a board and that other cities were going to adopt it.

Dr. S. F. A. Pickering asked if women were to serve on the board and Mr. Hackett said that they could, it would rest with the voters.

Judge Calvin Page spoke on the bill stating that he was opposed to it as drawn. He did not care how many members were on the board, but he did object to the provision which called for the payment of a small sum to the members. That if the people who were elected to serve on the board were not willing to do it without pay then they were unfit to serve at all. The small salary would make it a sought after office by those not competent to serve. He stated that he had been a member of the board for the past twenty seven years and that it was not an enviable office. With the school teachers coming after more pay, claiming as they rightfully did that they worked until they were old at a small compensation and then were unfitted for other work and no prospects in view.

College graduates with families serving at less than a thousand dollars a year and no way to increase their pay as it should be. In his opinion anyone who would not serve on the board without pay was unfit to serve at all.

Mr. Alfred G. Booth inquired why the change was being made and Mr. Hackett said simply on the grounds of efficiency, that in his opinion three men would take more interest than twelve, and better results would follow.

Mr. J. A. Sanborn was opposed to not only this bill but all that were to come, and did not think that the delegation just because they were elected to the legislature, should go about changing existing conditions.

Samuel W. Emery, Jr., appeared in opposition to the bill on the ground that there was not enough reason for the change.

Major David Urch was there for information but he had heard nothing against the present school board, that the present members served from a matter of pride in the city and others would do the same thing. He thought it was up to the father of the bill to give good reasons why such changes should be made.

Representative Hackett said he might be termed the father and again gave his reasons why it had been introduced. That Concord, Manchester and Dover were seeking after a like bill and Berlin already had it. That in his opinion the men who made a life training of school matter should know what was best and he had been guided by them. He appeared to be the only one in favor of the bill the rest were knockers, but he would make no apologies to any one for the interest he took in the city.

There were other speakers on the bill including Burpee Wood, John H. Bartlett and Senator Entwistle. There was a dispute over the question of whether the sense of the meeting should be taken. Mr. Hackett was opposed as it would not be binding, and it was not the custom of legislative committees. Major Urch moved that the sentiment was that the bill be indefinitely postponed and Chairman Philbrick ruled the motion in order and it was carried by a vote of 16 to 3.

The next bill to be considered was that reducing the Board of Registrars from seven members, two from wards one, two and one from each of the other wards and making their salary so much a year. The city would save \$69 in salaries on this bill and there was no opposition to its passage and the enactment of the gathering was favorable.

Public Works

Section 1. There shall be in said city a board of public works consisting of three members, who shall

be elected by the qualified voters of the city at large, voting in their respective wards, at the next regular municipal election, to be held on the second Tuesday of December 1909: one member for a term of three years, one member for a term of two years and one member for a term of one year, from the first day of January, 1910, and annually thereafter at the regular municipal election one member shall be elected for the term of three.

Section 2. The mayor, ex officio, shall be chairman of the board, and they shall elect a clerk, and keep a record of their proceedings, issue all notices and attest all such papers and orders as said board shall require.

Section 3. The said board shall make a detailed report of their doings quarterly to the city council. The records of said board shall at all times be open to the inspection of the citizen of the city.

Section 4. The said board shall have the powers and perform the duties now by law vested in and imposed on the board of water commissioners, except as herein provided.

They shall also have jurisdiction authority and control over the department of streets, highways, bridges, sewers, public parks, playgrounds, and the care of all buildings and property pertaining thereto.

Section 5. Said board shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties and shall hold their office for the term for which they were elected and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead respectively.

They may be removed by the city council, for cause after a hearing on due notice.

Section 6. A vacancy in said board may be filled by appointment of the mayor confirmed by the city council but if vacancy is unfilled prior to November 1, it shall be filled at the succeeding municipal election.

Section 7. The said board may appoint a superintendent of water works, a superintendent of streets, and such other agents and servants as they may deem necessary, and may fix their compensation.

Section 8. They may make such rules and regulations for their own government and in relation to all officers and agents appointed by them as they may deem proper, and a copy of same shall be filed with the city clerk within thirty days after adoption.

Section 9. All moneys received in any way on account of the water works shall be paid into the city treasury and shall be kept and applied exclusively for the use of said water works, including the payment of the bonds issued for water purposes, and the interests thereon, until said bonds are paid, after which time any surplus may be turned into the general revenue fund.

Section 10. All purchases in excess of fifty dollars shall be competitive bids, which shall be opened publicly and a copy of the specifications, with tenders submitted, shall be filed forthwith with the city auditor.

All bills and claims for expenditures connected with the water works or any department herein referred to shall be approved by the board of public works in writing, and shall then pass through the office of the city auditor for record before payment is made by the city treasurer.

Section 11. The accounting system of the department shall meet the requirements of the city auditor and the fiscal year of the department shall correspond with the municipal year.

The city auditor and the city treasurer shall keep the accounts relating to the water works separately and distinctly from all other receipts and expenditures.

Section 12. Annually before the first of February said board of public works shall submit to the city council estimates in detail, giving amounts required to maintain the water works, streets, highways, bridges, sidewalks, parks and playground and the city council shall make such appropriation as shall seem to them just and necessary, and no transfer therefrom shall be authorized except by resolution of the city council, and said board shall not be authorized to expend any money in excess of funds available therefor, under penalty provided in chapter 212, section 29, of the Laws of 1905.

Section 13. The annual compensation of said board of public works shall be \$350 for the member chosen clerk, and \$300 each for the other two members.

Section 14. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

The Board of Public Works bill was the next under consideration, and this was the liveliest measure of the evening. Dr. S. F. A. Pickering immediately moved that it be indefinitely postponed, but the meeting would not stand for this, Councilman Boynton then proceeded to show

that the thing was a great necessity. He stated that the water works had never paid a cent of money to the city and instead of paying off the debt of that department they were falling behind and while the revenue were increasing the expenditures were also increasing at an alarming rate. That some years ago the receipts were \$36,000 and now they were \$46,000 and still the city was not getting any benefit from it, but the department was falling behind. He said the city was facing a critical condition and that something must be done or the tax rate would be pushed up so that the work of the past two years would go for nothing. He explained how every department in the city had been cut to the limit how the police had been reduced from \$17,000 to 13,000, how the school department had been cut to the bone, and it was hard. With the increased state tax that raised the tax to this city net \$10,016, it would be impossible to make any improvement in the city hall or any of its buildings. While all other departments were doing everything possible to reduce the tax rate, the water works were increasing their expenses every year and outside of the \$5,000 obtained from them last year for the sinking fund the commissioners had done nothing to provide for the bond payment. That with an earning capacity of \$40,000 it ought to be paying the city money and in time pay for its debt. Other cities with the same population and same works had already in the same length of time paid for itself and was a source of profit to the city. Mr. Boynton stated that the water company had a right to treat the street without notice to the city and when asked some questions as to how the department was being run he was told it was none of his business. He charged that there was a mismanagement in some way that should be overcome.

S. W. Emery, Jr., agreed with Mr. Boynton that something must be done and thought the water department a good place to start.

Dr. S. F. A. Pickering a member of the Water Commission, defended the board, and claimed that some of Mr. Boynton's statements were false. He went on to explain how much work had been carried on by the Commissioners in the way of new work, how lines had been laid and how every piece of machinery in the station had been duplicated so that there was no danger of a break down. He claimed that all this had been done at the lowest possible cost and without asking the city for money. Thirty wells had been sunk and a great supply obtained. At the present time he explained that the stations were pumping 2,000,000 gallons of water a day, and of this a million gallons were being pumped every night when the city was not supposed to be using much water, so that it was practically all waste. The only check on this would be a meter system, but everything done by the commissioners had been above board. Mr. Burpee Wood, Mr. John L. Mitchell, Samuel W. Emery, Jr., Mr. J. A. Sanborn, Mr. John H. Bartlett, Major David Urch, Senator Entwistle, Col. Morris C. Foye, who warmly defended Mr. Boynton, whom they claimed was working for the good of the city and had been the cause of reducing taxes. E. P. Stoddard, and others spoke, and at times it developed into a wrangle, during which personalities were passed and everybody talked at once. Some of the speakers accused Mr. Boynton of not looking into the matter and he replied that he had compared it with cities of the same size in this state and Massachusetts and found that this city was pumping more water a day and at a greater cost than any city in the country and that the comparison was a disgrace to this city.

A motion was made by Mr. Emery that it was the sentiment of the meeting that the bill be reported favorably. Major Urch offered a resolution that it be left to the people to decide on at the next election, but this was tabled after, considerable trouble was experienced in obtaining the vote, which was 23 to 6. Mr. Emery's motion was then passed.

The next bill, that to reduce the city council to four members elected at large was read. It was as follows:

An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Portsmouth in Relation to the City Council

Section 1. That the act passed March 9, 1905, entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Portsmouth" be hereby amended by striking out section one and inserting instead the following:

"Section 4. The administration of all fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of said city, and the government thereof, shall, except as otherwise provided, be vested in one principal officer to be called the mayor, and one board of four members to be called commissioners, who shall be chosen annually by the qualified voters of the city at large voting in their respective wards, and shall hold office for the municipal year next following their election, and their successors are chosen and qualified. The mayor and councilmen shall act together and compose a body, and in their joint capacity shall be called the city council. The mayor

shall preside and shall have a vote on all questions arising before said council. He shall nominate all committees customarily appointed by the administration of city affairs, subject to the approval of the council.

Section 2. The first election in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be held on the second Tuesday of December, 1909, at which time shall be elected the mayor and four councilmen herein designated, who shall serve for the municipal year beginning the first day of January, 1910.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

This received but scant consideration and a motion to indefinitely postpone was carried.

The last bills to be considered were two pertaining to the tax assessors. One that of Mr. Hackett called for the election of the members by the people, while the other provided that one of the members of the board must act as clerk.

An Act in Amendment of Section 4 of Chapter 207 of the Laws of 1907, in Relation to the Assessors of Taxes of the City of Portsmouth

Section 1. Section 4 of chapter 207 of the Laws of 1907 is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and substituting in place thereof the following:

"Section 4. Said board shall organize by choosing one member thereof clerk, and one member thereof elected clerk shall receive not exceeding nine hundred dollars per annum in full for all services, and the other two members shall each receive six hundred dollars per annum in full for all services. The clerk shall devote not less than six hours per day to the business of the board. Sundays and holidays excepted. Reasonable leaves of absence may be allowed by the board. The chairman and clerk shall hold office until a new assessor is chosen, subject however to removal from office by said board at any time for incompetence or neglect after due hearing.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

There was some little discussion on this matter and it was finally agreed that a new draft would be made of this bill, taking in both suggestions and that the bill be reported favorably.

The hearing then adjourned.

CHANGES TALKED OF

It is rumored that train 25, local passenger, leaving Boston at 12.30 noon arriving here at 2.30 p. m., will run express from Boston to Portsmouth on the summer schedule of 1909 and that a local train ahead of it will come to Portsmouth instead of ending its run at Newburyport.

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FROM EXETER

Elwell to Be One of Taft Escort

Laura Pearl's Last Rest at Brentwood

Some Interesting Statistics of the Weather

Exeter, Feb. 9.
Col. R. N. Elwell of Exeter has accepted the invitation of Chairman Gist Blair, of the presidential inauguration ball committee, to be a member of the escort to President-elect Taft at Washington on inauguration day.

The body of Laura Pearl was brought here from Haverhill, Mass., on Monday and taken to Myrtle's Corner at Brentwood, for burial. The funeral services were held three o'clock. The body was in charge of Undertaker Field.

John Witkowski and Terest Greagule were married at St. Michael's church last Saturday by the pastor, Rev. John E. Finen.

Exeter athletes at the B. A. A. games last Saturday night, although not successful in winning any first places, made a good showing. Burns was one of the six to qualify for the finals in the 40-yard handicap, and Bingham made a creditable showing in the 600-yard handicap. Captain Cornell in the short sprints also was well up at the finish of his heat. Work will now be directed to the training for the B. A. A. interscholastic meet which will be held in Boston Feb. 27. Some of the best performers will however, be barred from this owing to the age limit. The trials in the 1000 and 300 yard run will be held on Wednesday of this week, and on Saturday the 600 yards and the mile trials will be held.

Weather records compiled during the month of January show that there were many marks of interest. The highest temperature was on the 22d, when it reached 55 1-2 degrees and the lowest on the 19th, when it sank to 10 degrees below zero. The lowest maximum was on the 7th when the mark set was 13.5 degrees and the highest minimum was 27.5 degrees on the 11th. The mean temperature was 23.5 degrees. There were 12 clear days, 3 partly cloudy and 16 cloudy days. Rain or snow fell on 13 days, the snow fall being 18 inches. The rainfall and melted snow 4.29 inches. The snow storm of the 30th was the heaviest since Feb. 5, 1837, all the storms of last winter being surpassed by it. Thus far this month the temperature has fallen below zero on three mornings.

NAVY ORDERS

Lieutenant E. P. Finney, when discharged, hospital, Norfolk, Va., to the Franklin thence to the Montana. Carpenter W. L. Wall, from the Panther to the Lancaster, navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa.
Carpenter J. Feaster, from Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine, to the

navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa.
Carpenters F. Mackle and P. Wehr to duty naval station, Cavite, P. I.
Carpenter R. A. Clarke, to the Independence, navy yard, Mare Island, Cal.
Carpenter H. R. Taylor, to the Lancaster, navy yard, Philadelphia, Pa.
Carpenter H. F. McCarty, to the Wabash, navy yard, Boston, Mass.
Carpenter W. Gummey, to the Hancock, navy yard, New York.
Carpenter F. M. Smith, to the Wabash, navy yard, Boston.
Carpenter T. L. Hannah, to the Denver.
Carpenter R. A. White, from the Pennsylvania to the Independence, navy yard, Mare Island, Cal.

In accordance with the regulations for the training of apprentice seamen in the navy Secretary Newberry has awarded the Bailey medals for 1908 to Cornelius M. Harper of the naval training station at Newport, R. I., and Ernest N. Varnall of the training station at San Francisco. Arrived—Porter at Norfolk; Shubrick at Beaufort, N. C.; Eagle at Guantanamo, Worden at Charleston, Saturn at Mare Island, Osceola at Key West.

Sailed—Mayflower Norfolk for Washington; Prairie, Philadelphia for Charleston; Lebanon, Newport for Buzzard's Bay; Scorpion, Constantinople for Naples; Dubuque, Guantanamo for target grounds; Brutus, Colon for Caracas.

The navy department is informed that Joseph Pumm, ship's cook, committed suicide on board the United States steamer Scorpion at Constantinople on the 5th instant. Pumm enlisted at New York Nov. 17 1905, and gave as his next of kin Joseph Pumm, father, of 19 Stuyvesant place, New York, and as his beneficiary, his wife, Mrs. Gertrude L. Pumm of 185 1-2 Stagg street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

When the transport Dix makes her next voyage home from the Philippines she will carry 2,500 tons of Batan coal for consumption on the trip. This coal has been in use in interisland traffic for several months and is proving economical in comparison with other coals available in that region. Navy engineers say that they cannot make use of it and keep up steam. There are many "linkers in it and it carries a great deal of sulphur. It will do well for the first three or four hours until the clinkers begin to form, and then it makes necessary a constant cleaning of grates. The officers in charge of the Batan mines report that they are now getting out 900 tons of coal a month, and that the amount is likely to be considerably increased. The cost of Batan coal is about \$3.50 a ton, as against about \$6 for Australian coal, so that the saving on slow-speed traffic would appear to be considerable.

A general scheme has been adopted in respect to boats to be furnished to battleships. The idea is to eliminate, as far as possible, the pulling boats, and to depend upon steamers, although a decided preference is expressed for boats with gasoline engines. The objection to the motor boat which uses gasoline comes from the difficulty of carrying the material with safety on board ship. The department will probably issue an order having the result of furnishing each battleship with two large steamers, two large sailing-launches, two cutters, two whaleboats, one racing cutter, two dinghies and two punts. The pulling barges will be abolished in the navy.

When the commanding officer, in his discretion, considers it advisable

on account of climatic or other conditions to require the wearing of the olive drab shirt without the coat of certain drills or in the field, the insignia of rank will be worn on the points of the collar by officers and chevrons will be worn on the sleeves of the shirt by enlisted men. Orders to that effect have been issued by Gen. Bell, chief of staff of the army.

The bureau of construction and repair is making estimates for placing new training gear on all the battleships of the Atlantic fleet as soon as practicable after their arrival home. Numerous reports have come from the ordnance officers of the fleet as to defects in the present gear for training the guns. Between the highest speed and the lowest of training a gun are numerous variable speeds, but it has been found that the minimum is not slow enough by several degrees. With a ship a mile off and moving at a slow speed the minimum speed of the training gear now on the ships working at seven or eight degrees a minute causes the gun to travel far ahead of the target when it should be possible to keep the gun trained directly on the ship as she moves.

LIST OF FLOWERS

Contributed for the funeral of Mrs. George J. Cloutman

The following were the floral tributes at the funeral of Mrs. George J. Cloutman on Saturday: Husband, forty-eight daybreak pinks and maidenhair fern.

Mrs. J. F. Cloutman, Miss Nora Cloutman, shower bouquet of daybreak pinks.

Union Rebekah Lodge, wreath. Mrs. Della Canavan, bouquet of calla lilies.

Whist club, basket of flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Blake, Miss Helen Blake, basket of roses and hyacinths.

Mrs. Frank Bickford, Miss Eva Horne, shower bouquet of carnations and ferns.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert French, shower bouquet of pinks.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Newton, shower bouquet of pinks.

Mrs. Andrew Swinerton, Miss Adelle Brown, bouquet of daybreak pinks.

F. W. Badger and family, shower bouquet of pinks.

Mrs. Harrie Lombard, Mrs. Maria Blaisdell, flat bouquet.

Mrs. O. L. Frisbee, Mrs. M. J. Williams, bouquet of hyacinths.

Mrs. Frank Willey, bouquet of daybreak pinks and narcissus.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Usinger and family, shower bouquet of pinks.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Edwards and family, shower bouquet of pinks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Voudy, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Voudy, cross bouquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike, flat bouquet.

ROCKINGHAM WINS FIRST GAME IN THE CITY LEAGUE

The first game of city bowling tournament was played on Monday evening when the Rockingham team won from the Nonpareils by a margin of 58 pins. There were no especially heavy strings bowled.

The following was the summary.

ROCKINGHAM			
Churchill	68	91	78 237
Cummings	72	82	82 236
Hann	84	86	99 269
Fernald	78	92	91 261
Woods	91	81	90 262
	393	427	440 1268

NONPAREIL			
Peterson	91	78	83 252
Naylor	77	76	68 221
Buchanan	68	75	71 214
Clark	82	101	76 259
Penner	96	85	83 264
	417	415	378 1210

CONGREGATIONALISTS

Important Matters to Come Before New England Conference

In a circular sent out to the churches of the denomination in New England, calling attention to the meeting of the Congregational conference in Manchester on Feb. 23 and 24, stress is laid upon the weight of the problems which the assembly will be called upon to consider.

"Continued investigation is resulting in striking revelations of social and religious need," it is stated. "The amalgamation of divergent elements into a homogeneous brotherhood is sure to tax the patience, ingenuity and devotion of Christian people for years to come. The depletion of population in village and rural communities is straining the ability of our Home Missionary society to the breaking point. The deplorable deterioration, ethically and religiously, in the congested centers of our cities is an appeal to the church which must be answered."

The coming congress is expected to increase the enthusiasm by his revelations of denominational strength and loyalty. Says the circular: "The interest in the Manchester conference is already widespread sincere. The attendance will be large. The discussions will be vigorous and vital. The development of fellowship alone would abundantly repay all effort to attend."

Dealing with the question of the entertainment of delegates this statement is made:

"No free entertainment is expected in Manchester, nor will any be provided, except in those specific cases where special invitations have been sent. Your commission enjoins upon the churches to send delegates at the expense of the church. This should be the rule in all ecclesiastical gatherings where delegates are commissioned by the church, but particularly so in this instance because of the nature of this congress. No church can afford not to be represented in a movement so strong, so effective, so promising. No church can afford not to have the benefit in inspiration and instruction which is sure to come from having representatives in this congress. As soon as appointed, delegates should write immediately to Secretary John W. Stafford Young Men's Christian association, Manchester, N. H., indicating their wish for entertainment."

The circular is issued by the New England Congregational commission.

Relief for Chilblains

All persons who suffer from chilblains can find quick and permanent relief by using the following prescription: It stops the intolerable itching, and alleviates the inflammation in a short time, giving comfort and ease to your feet, even as no other remedy yet discovered has been able to do so thoroughly and with so little trouble. This is also good for Pimples, Bozema, Itchheads, Itches, Chapped hands, toes, and face, and all diseases of the skin. Get the following prescription put up at any reliable Drug Store and your troubles will soon be over. One-half ounce, Ether one ounce. Alcohol seven ounces. Mix, shake well and apply to the parts affected freely morning and night, allowing it to remain on all of the time until your feet are well.

NOTICE

To people who received invitations for Ladies' night, Royal Arcanum, on Tuesday.

The committee wishes to state that tickets can be obtained from members of the organization or at the door on presentation of invitation. Tickets admitting gentlemen and lady, \$1.00; tickets for extra ladies, 25 cents each.

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'SEX DETERMINED BY CHANCE ALONE'
Nutrition and Other Artificial Means Powerless to Regulate It, Says Professor Wilson

THE CAUSES ARE ALL AUTOMATIC
Tells Association for Advancement of Science Mechanical Basis Produces General Equality in Sexes — The Schenck Theory is All Wrong.

Baltimore, Md.—That the determination of sex is a matter of chance was the declaration of Professor E. B. Wilson before the section of zoology at the session of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Although he did not specifically mention the Schenck theory of control by diet, which was tried by the Tsar and Tsarina before the heir to the throne of Russia was born, Professor Wilson said this theory is entirely erroneous.

Professor Wilson occupies the chair of zoology at Columbia University, and is considered one of the foremost investigators in that science. His paper was technical and went into the subject deeply, but he gave the press an abstract, which he said he thought would bring on his head all the cracks in the country. The title of the paper is "Recent Researches on the Determination of Heredity of Sex."

"Former inquiries," said he, "as to the manner in which sex is inherited have been on the supposition that sex is determined by the effect of external conditions, such as nutrition. The drift of more recent evidence has been against this view, and goes to show that sex is automatically determined by the internal mechanism of germ cells. If this be correct, it appears impossible to modify or control the sex by artificial means. Sex appears to be a phenomenon of heredity which conforms to the laws of heredity in general. It is supposed by many biologists to be a particular kind of mendelian-Mendel's law."

"Research has proved that the mechanical basis of sex is so adjusted as to produce an equal number of males and females in the long run, this fact applying to the race as a whole and not to single families alone. There are, however, variations from this equal ratio. Some of these modifications have recently been completely explained by minute study, but many are still quite unexplained."

THOSE TELLTALE LINES.
Little Wrinkles That Make Every Woman's Age an Open Book.
New York City.—The Clio Club, which met at Duryea's, slivered with affright when Dr. Jennie de la M. Lozier said that every woman's age was an open book to her.

"They say you never can tell a woman's age in these days," said Dr. Lozier, "but I can always tell it. When a woman gets three transverse lines in her forehead she is twenty-seven, and when she gets three vertical ones between her brows she is forty-four. But," she added, consolingly, "it is possible to make such a pleasant impression that no one will ever think of your age. Take care of your eyes and ears. Never sew on black at night. That is a most dreadful thing to do. Keep agile and active and wear clothes that match your eyes and hair."

Mrs. Lozier concluded by saying the one nice thing about clubwomen was that they didn't care either about a woman's age or her income, but some of her auditors seemed to think she might be mistaken on this point.

An Eccentric Russian Doctor.
Moscow, Russia.—The famous Russian Dr. Zabarhin, who has died in Moscow and left over \$200,000, was noted for his eccentric methods. When summoned to attend Czar Alexander III. in his last illness, Dr. Zabarhin required the same preparation for his visit to the palace as to any of his patients' houses. That is to say, all dogs had to be kept out of the way, all clocks stopped and every door thrown wide open. He left his fur in the hall, his overcoat in the next room, his goloshes in the third and continuing, arrived at the bedside in ordinary indoor costume. He put down after walking every few yards, and every eight steps in going upstairs. From the patient's relatives and every one else in the house he required absolute silence until he spoke to them, when his questions had to be answered by "Yes" or "No" and nothing more.

Dr. Melvin Breeds a Zebra.
Washington, D. C.—Dr. Melvin Melvin, Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, has succeeded in breeding and raising a zebra, a feat in which the Department of Agriculture has unsuccessfully attempted for years. The animal is a cross between a Texas burro and a male zebra. The legs are well marked, but the stripes on the body are faint. Dr. Melvin hopes that as the zebra sheds his coat for a permanent one the stripes will become more distinct.

Killed Brother Because He Swore.
Muskegon, Oklahoma.—Lee Marshall, who has always seemed deeply religious, shot and killed his brother, John, at his home near Catoosa, Okla., because John used profanity while in the house.

LET'S WOMAN TRY HUSBAND
Has Abused Wife Take His Place on Police Bench and Impose the Sentence.

Omaha, Neb.—In the Omaha police court Mrs. Frank Freilich, a good looking young woman of this city, accepted an invitation from Judge Crawford to take his place on the bench while her husband was on trial on a charge of abusing his wife and children.

"You may do whatever you please with this man, who has abused you, so long as you keep within the law," said Judge Crawford.

Freilich had an attorney and his trial proceeded, with his wife acting as Police Judge.

The accused husband protested that he was not guilty of abusing his wife. Witnesses testified that he drank to excess, came home intoxicated, failed to provide the necessities of life for his family, and was frequently cruel to them when in his cups.

When the witnesses had testified Judge Crawford held a consultation with the wife. She decided that Freilich should be sentenced to one day's confinement in jail, the minimum sentence.

Judge Crawford imposed the sentence and the wife stepped down from the bench as her husband was being led back to his cell in jail.

ERROR REGARDING PATENTS.
Do Not Put Owner in Inalienable Possession for a Term of Years.

Washington, D. C.—There is a very general notion that when the United States Government gives a man a patent for an invention by this very act the patentee is in possession of exclusive and inalienable rights to his invention for a term of years. Now this is the very thing that does not necessarily exist, and the very thing that patentees, investors and the public would like to have established. Most patents are exploited by others than inventors, and the money for the purpose is largely supplied by those with little knowledge of the laws. It has happened time and time again that the governmental patent has proved worthless. It used to be that it was little more than prima facie evidence to be used in litigation. Of recent years there has been some improvement in the laws and practice, but at present there is no governmental guarantee behind the papers issued to any inventor.

ITALY'S POPULATION GROWS.
Number of Recruits to the Colors Proves This to Be True.

Rome, Italy.—A proof of the increased population in Italy during the last few years is afforded by the fact that the number of young men born in 1888 who are bound by law to serve in the army amounted to 110,000, instead of about 70,000, as in previous years. This increase was unforeseen, so much so, in fact, that when the men joined their regiments it was found that the barracks were not large enough to hold them.

The recruits were sheltered under canvas and camp blankets were issued. Very soon the Army Service Corps provided beds and bedding, and expressed churches and convents in several garrison towns were used as barracks.

The increase is due in part to the regular growth of the population, but also to the considerable number of returned emigrants from America.

PLEISTOCENE MEN.
Oldest Human Remains Believed Found by French Abbess.

Paris, France.—Abbes Boueysson and Bardon, who are supervising excavations at Chapelleaux-Saints, in the Correze Department, have discovered what are believed to be the oldest human remains, dating back 170,000 years to the middle of the Pleistocene Age, the latest period of geological history.

The skull presents a strong resemblance to that of a monkey, having a long jaw and being devoid of canine teeth. The other bones are arched, showing that man usually walked on all-fours. The skeleton has been acquired by the Natural History Museum of Paris.

A Unique Farm.
Jasper, Mo.—Near this town a settler has a farm which probably is unlike any other in the world. This farm occupies the tableland on the summit of a ridge and is inclosed with a fence which no animal has ever broken through. It does not rise above the surface of the farm, but falls sheer from the edge a distance of many feet. The man who lived on the tableland had a hard climb up the face of a cliff to reach the comparatively level summit. By blasting and drilling the discoverer made a path by which stock could be brought up, and now has horses, cattle and hogs in his fertile little kingdom, but no wheeled vehicle has ever been taken there.

Python Swallows Zoo Pig.
New York City.—Salome, the man-eating python at the Bronx Zoo, the finest snake of its kind in captivity, did not partake of its first voluntary meal until it had been in New York fourteen months. Salome is nearly twenty-two feet long and weighs 200 pounds. A 45-pound pig, a sort of pig, died at the Zoo and the keepers placed its body in Salome's cage. The reptile was asleep, but as soon as it awoke it made for the body, and it was gone with a gulp.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS DO LITTLE GOOD
Instructors in Many of Them Are Incompetent, Mrs. Rhodes Tells Clubwomen

Many of the Large Churches Have No Sunday Schools Now Except Those in Their Missions, Speaker Declares.

New York City.—The modern Sunday school does very little good, if not harm, and there is a demand among people interested in educational matters for school and classes in which children can be carefully and scientifically trained in religious matters in the opinion of Mrs. Helen Rhodes, Bible student and teacher. She told the Committee on Education of the Federation of Women's Clubs so at a meeting at the Hotel Astor.

"Children and young people think that religion does not amount to anything," said Mrs. Rhodes, "because they see their parents select the schools and instructors for their other studies with the greatest care, while no heed is given to their religious instruction, and any one is thought fit to teach them. Children should have religious beliefs carefully planned in their minds in the right way in its earliest childhood or it will never have them, and yet any one is thought fit to teach in the Sunday school."

"You go into a church, and a request will be made that members of the congregation stay to teach in the Sunday school, without regard to whether they are young people in their teens or octogenarians. I have investigated the methods in many schools, and as I go in without making it known whom I am I see things as they are. In one school which I visited they were given for a lesson the betrayal of Jesus Christ. As the teacher reached the part where the Son of Man was bound, ready to be handed to his enemies, the bell for the closing of the school rang and the lesson for the day was over."

"There is the bell, children," said the teacher, "and we will leave Jesus Christ bound until next Sunday."

"Leave Jesus Christ bound until next Sunday." Could anything be more dreadful, and yet similar methods to that are carried on in hundreds of churches. Many of the large churches have no Sunday schools or only those which are connected with their missions, and these they are holding off as fast as they can by the same methods as those with which they killed the others. The pedagogy of the Bible is correct, but you must teach a child in a way which he can understand. You must not give him the Prologue of St. John and expect him to understand it, for that is food for scholars, and he cannot understand the Epistles of St. Paul.

"In the olden days a child was represented as a cup which must be filled and instruction was poured into him only to overflow and be poured out in the same condition in which it went in. In these days the child is represented as a spiral and you must meet him on one of his own wires. If you miss your contact at one time try again at another. If you fail to get the child it is your fault, not his."

"It is because of the inefficient teaching in the Sunday schools that there is a demand now all over the city for private classes for the religious instruction of children and for the study of the Bible. A woman will engage a capable instructor for her own children and open her parlor one day in the week. It may be on Sunday, it may be on another day, or it may be the evening, and invite other children to come. If you cannot have classes in your parlors be the teachers of your own children for a time."

Mrs. Rhodes spoke of the Model Bible School at Teachers' College, where there are paid teachers in the kindergarten, and all the teachers are what Mrs. Rhodes considers necessary—students of child psychology and of scientific teaching.

"There is a church in town where the Sunday school is scientifically conducted," said one of the women present, "and that is the Rev. Charles Parkhurst's, where they have paid teachers."

Another woman told of a graded Sunday school in a Unitarian Church.

SHAKE WELL IN BOTTLE TO MIX
Also Tells How To Find Out If Kidneys Are Weak And Inactive And What To Do

There are more cases of kidney trouble here now than ever before, while recent reports show that more people succumb each year to some form of kidney disease than any other cause.

When there is sickness, examine the urine. Rheumatism is only a symptom of kidney trouble. It is nothing more or less than excessive uric acid in the blood, which the sluggish, inactive kidneys have failed to sift out, leaving it to decompose and settle about the joints and muscles, causing intense suffering; frequently resulting in deformity; often reaching the heart, when death ensues.

Pains across the back, frequent painful and suppressed urination and other symptoms of weak bladder are not the only signs of kidney trouble; many cases of stomach disease, head ache, pain in the heart, inactive liver, etc., are but symptoms; the cause of which can be traced to feeble, clogged kidneys.

A simple test of the urine is to void a small quantity in a bottle or glass and let it stand over night; next morning, if there is a reddish brick-dust sediment, or white fleecy substance present, either consult some reputable physician or take a good vegetable treatment. The following prescription is recommended highly in these cases, and the sufferer can mix it at home: Compound Kargon, one ounce; Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well and use in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

Where any of the symptoms enumerated above are present, good results are sure to follow immediately the use of this simple prescription.

SEARLS' DEED RECORDED
Passes Title in \$40,000 Schoolhouse to Windham, N. H.

The deed has been placed on record by which Edward F. Searls of Melrose, Mass., conveys to the school district of the town of Windham the \$40,000 schoolhouse with its spacious lot. The latter has a front area of 232 and 1-2 feet on the road leading from Canobie lake station to Windham center with depth of 187 feet.

The deed is condition upon use for school and religious purposes, with reversion on failure so to use, to the grantor or his heirs.

Another condition is the conveyance by the school district to the Searls of the former school premises on Morrisons road, so-called, which is to be closed. This deed has not yet been received.

LEAVE NEW HAMPSHIRE
A Connecticut Story of Plans of Mrs. Grover Cleveland

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 9.—Mrs. Grover Cleveland is planning to educate her daughter Elsie in Wykeham Rise, an exclusive school for girls conducted by Miss Davies in Washington, this county. She will place her son Richard in the Berkshire school for boys in Sheffield, Mass., the dean of which is Hamilton Gibson, who married Miss Van Dyke, daughter of Dr. Henry Van Dyke, and one of Mrs. Cleveland's most intimate friends.

Reports are current that Mrs. Cleveland will spend her summers in the southern Berkshires instead of in the New Hampshire hills.

Valentine Masquerade Party
The Union Rebekah lodge, No. 3, I. O. O. F., held a very enjoyable Valentine Masquerade party at Freeman's hall, Monday evening at which there was a large attendance. Many were in costume and some of them were original and artistic. The dance order was in the form of a large red heart and was unique and attractive. Music was furnished by Rowe and Hoyt and dancing was enjoyed until twelve o'clock.

The committee in charge who made the party a success were Miss Bertha J. Anderson, Mrs. Gowen, Mrs. Ellen Sanborn, Mr. Roger Outwaite and Mr. Everett Marston.

Don't think that pills can't be cured. Thousands of obstinate cases have been cured by Doan's Ointment, 50 cents at any drug store.

Bequest Conditioned on Bedtime.
St. Louis, Mo.—A legacy of \$1,000 conditioned on a change in its bed-time rules has been bequeathed to Jewish Home for the Aged of this city by Abraham Greenblatt, a teacher of Hebrew. Greenblatt's will provides that if the institution does away with the fixed hour at which its inmates shall go to bed and allows them to retire whenever they choose it shall receive his bequest, but not otherwise.

TORPEDO BOATS HAVE ROUGH TRIP
Charleston, S. C., Feb. 9.—Though caught in a coast storm that for a time threatened their destruction, the little torpedo boats Worden, Porter, Shubrick and Stockton which sailed from Hampton Roads early Saturday morning for Charleston S. C., are not much the worse for their experience.

The Worden arrived late Sunday from Norfolk, after which Lieut. Richardson, commanding, declared was the roughest trip he had ever experienced.

On the first day out a terrific gale was encountered and the Porter was forced to put back. The Stockton made Beaufort N. C., and the Shubrick put in at Morehead City.

The Porter's provisions became waterlogged during the storm and two members of the crew were injured.

The wind at Hatteras Monday was blowing 55 miles an hour, and the seas were kicking up too much for the little vessels to venture out.

After the Porter separated from the fleet and put back to Norfolk, the others stood through a wintry gale of great force for 15 hours, when the Stockton and the Shubrick were forced to seek harbors. The officers and men were greatly exhausted by the terrific pounding.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The full force of the storm struck the flotilla off Hatteras and separated the vessels. Some anxiety was felt at the navy department, it was not till Monday morning that all the boats were accounted for. None of the vessels was injured, according to the reports to the navy department.

THE JAPANESE SITUATION
Secret Conference Said to Be Over Dispatches from Japan

Washington, Feb. 9.—Great secrecy was maintained about the conference of Monday at the White House at which there were present Secretary of State Bacon, First Assistant Secretary of State O'Loughlin, Senator Flint and Representative Kahn of California, and Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane. Mr. Lane is a Californian.

Intimations have gained ground here that important dispatches have been received from Ambassador O'Brien at Tokio showing the feeling in Japan as to the action already taken in the United States against Japanese immigrants, and as to how any action now contemplated would be received. In reply to a question on this point by a correspondent, Secretary Bacon refused to make any definite statement as to the basis of the report.

The conference was held to indicate that the President is still deeply concerned over the Japanese situation in California and Nevada. The conference lasted more than half an hour but those who took part in it were cautioned by the President to say nothing about it, and nothing could be learned as to what the particular matters of discussion were.

As a result of the conference President Roosevelt will give the public another statement for publication some time today.

The first conference was followed by another between the President and Secretary Newberry and Wright at the conclusion of which the direct statement was made by both secretaries that the names Japan and California were not referred to; that the discussion was over a bill now before Congress on deserters from the army and navy.

The belief is strongly held here that important communications have been received from the Japanese government.

One of the matters before the conference at the White House was a letter which President Roosevelt has written to speaker Stanton of the lower house of the California Legislature. This letter, which was mailed this afternoon, and later will be made public here, again sets forth the attitude of the administration as to the anti-Japanese legislation, and reiterates the "unwisdom and inopportune" of action of any kind at this time.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE
Wants New Code of Sea Signals

Portsmouth, N. H., Feb. 6, 1909. Editor of the Herald. The recent collision between the Republic and Florida in a dense fog called the public attention to the very inefficient rules in force governing the movement of vessels in such positions—a fog obscuring vision entirely—necessarily requires that audible signals, as from a steam whistle must be relied upon to locate vessels.

The only whistle signals made obligatory by the government is the two-

passing blasts and three or more to indicate danger. Why would it not be advisable to adopt a code of whistle signals, so that any vessel in a fog could indicate its exact course and then the government by rules give vessels bound in one direction the right of way over vessels bound the opposite direction and rule that the latter vessel when it hears the whistle code of a vessel, say, "headed due east," after its course to the west until it is satisfied by the whistle sounds that it has passed the east bound vessel and not until then shall it resume its regular course, which may be any direction desired. By this means vessels when nearing each other may always meet directly "head on" thus reducing the probability of a collision from an exposure of the length of the two vessels of say 1000 feet to not more than the beam, or would be practically impossible for two vessels to meet exactly "head on", a slight variation to either side would result in a bad scraping of the sides, would allow of the strongest part of the vessels and the best protected part to stand the brunt of the collision and would prevent any portion below the water line from injury. Vessels crossing the others bow and being cut down amidships. A code of whistles signals could easily be arranged that would indicate clearly the exact course of every vessel within hearing distance, and if easterly and northerly bound vessels had the right of way, all vessels bound in any other direction, by altering their course to exactly opposite, until after passing, would certainly minimize the danger of a serious collision, reducing the danger zone from the total length of both vessels to the beam or width of the same.

Portsmouth being a marine city, I would like to see a criticism from some of the able seamen upon the above suggestion.

W. S. L.

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Winter Schedule in Effect Dec. 10, 1908
Unavoidable Delays Excepted.

Cars leave Exeter for Smithtown—6:55, 8:00, 9:00 a. m., then every hour until 9:00 p. m., 10 p. m., car for Whittier only.

Sundays—First car at 8:00, 9:00 a. m., then same as above.

Cars leave Smithtown for Exeter—6:50, 8:00, 9:00 a. m., then every hour until 9:00 p. m., 10:00 p. m., car to car barn only.

Sundays—First car at 8:00 a. m., then same as above.

Cars leave Whittier's (Hampton) for Smithtown—6:50, 7:30, 8:40 a. m., then every hour until 9:40 p. m.

Sundays—First car 7:40, 8:40 a. m., then same as above.

Cars leave Whittier's for Exeter—6:40, 7:10, 8:20 a. m., and then every hour until 9:20 p. m.

Sundays—First car at 8:20, 9:20 a. m., then same as above.

Cars leave Whittier's for Hampton Beach. Jenkins only, 7:30, 8:40 a. m., 12:40 p. m., then every hour until 5:40 p. m.

Sundays—First car 9:40 a. m., then every hour until 3:40 p. m.

Cars leave Whittier's (Hampton) for North Beach Junction, making connections for Rye and Portsmouth—7:20, 8:40 a. m., 12:40 p. m., then every hour until 5:40 p. m.

Sundays—First car 9:40 a. m., then every hour until 3:40 p. m.

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CITY BRIEFS

Excellent weather.
Nearly zero this morning.
Rock signs are conspicuous.
Neither wheeling or sleighing.
No police court session today.
Where are all the robin detectives?
Bring the state house to Portsmouth.

A few more bad falls from the water cart.

Have your shoes repaired at John Mott's, 34 Congress street.

Keep posted on all that is going on in Portsmouth by reading the Herald.

The Buzz Club of New Castle are soon to put on a new drama entitled "Life on the Sands."

The arguments for and against the Portsmouth bills brought out a good crowd at City Hall on Monday evening.

Latest moving pictures and polite vaudeville at Music hall, Friday and Saturday. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

The Woman's Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Frank Gardner, No. 37 Islington street, Wednesday at three o'clock sharp.

The Independent Mill Company, which is running a car from this city daily, is gathering milk in nearly all the surrounding towns.

"Generally, debilitated for years. Had sick headaches, lacked ambition, was worn-out and all run-down. Burdock Blood Bitters made me a well woman."—Mrs. Chas. Freitoy, Moosup, Conn.

Scott Welsh and the original company in "45 Minutes from Broadway" at Music hall, Thursday, Feb. 11. Seats went on sale this morning at 7.30.

One Week Sale. Gold-filled Eye glasses for \$1.00; your eyes examined free by the new scientific method of the sure, correct way. Henri L. Bates, graduate of Dr. Knowles, New York, and degree of Doctor of Optics of the Illinois college, Masonic Temple, Chicago, holder of all eye troubles, 12 Market square. I can save you one-half in prices on glasses.

PERSONAL

Mrs. J. A. Mercier has returned from a visit to Lowell.

Plummer Ladd of Epping was a visitor here on Monday.

Mrs. Edward Raitt of Sagamore avenue is visiting in Boston.

Mr. Dana W. Baker of Exeter is in Portsmouth today on business.

Mr. J. H. Meloon of New York passed Monday in Kittery the guest of his brother Mr. W. G. Meloon.

Mrs. A. P. Haskell of Boston is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. John J. Smart of Manning Place.

Mrs. Lizzie Wood for many years matron at the Cottage hospital and of late years at the head of a big hospital in Alaska, is visiting friends in this city.

The marriage of Lieutenant Carroll W. Neal, U. S. A., and Miss E. Marion Hawkes, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Hawkes of York Harbor, will take place on April 14 at the home of the bride's parents.

DOCKSTADER WILL PAY \$1685

Loses Suit With Two of His Former Comedians

The case against Lew Dockstader, brought by the Leighton brothers, Frank and James, was ended in court in Boston on Monday when Dockstader was ordered to hand the Leightons \$1685.

In addition to their part in the musical show the plaintiffs did a special act. In Columbus, O., they had some trouble over the act with Dockstader. They had been assigned to a room, across to which was by means of an iron spiral staircase. They were large housekeepers in their suit and were unable to return to their room by means of the narrow stairway in time for the next act. The defendant claimed they left the company of their own volition. They contended they were discharged.

WENT TO DOVER

Miss Hannah Burke, Miss Hannah Daley and Miss Elsie Kennedy of the local Ladies' Auxiliary, Ancient Order of Hibernians, went to Dover on Monday evening where they attended a celebration by the Ladies' Auxiliary of that city.

It was the largest gathering of the ladies of the order which has so far taken place in this section of the state and a royal entertainment was extended the guests from the surrounding country.

CONGREGATIONALISTS

Program for Portsmouth Meeting in Mission Campaign

Meetings will be simultaneously held in five districts, reaching in all two hundred Congregational centers throughout the United States, on Wednesday, February 10, which will constitute a "Joint Missionary Campaign for our country and the world, by the American Board, the Congregational Home Missionary Society and the American Missionary Association, in association with the Church Building Society, the Sunday school and Publishing Society, and the Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief."

One of the centers is in Portsmouth at which representative pastors, laymen, missionaries and secretaries will speak.

The enterprise is one of the most comprehensive Congregational Mission campaigns ever undertaken and commends itself to every one who has any interest in missionary work.

There will be three meetings on Wednesday in the church and chapel of the North Congregational church. The Congregationalists have been strongly urged by their pastor, Rev. Lucius H. Thayer, to give their time and attention to the gathering at the church in the afternoon, and it is expected that there will be a large and deeply interested attendance.

No collections will be made at the meetings, but one important object to be presented is the raising of \$500,000 by other methods throughout the country.

The Portsmouth group of the New England churches includes Dover, Rochester, Somersworth, Exeter (2), Greenland, Stratham, Rye, Hampton, North Hampton, Conway, North Conway, Lee, Wolfeboro, Durham, New Castle, Salmon Falls, Milton, Newmarket, New Hampshire; and South Berwick, York Village, Elliot, Kittery Point, York Corner and Wells, Maine.

The program for the day is as follows: The morning session will be in the parish house at 10.30, a delegated conference upon the apportionment plan and missionary methods in the local church, by pastors and church workers with visiting speakers. The afternoon session will be a public missionary meeting in the church, Rev. C. H. Patton, D. D., presiding, to which especially urgent invitation is given.

2.30 Devotional exercises.
2.45 Address by Rev. J. P. Jones, D. D., missionary in India, A. B. C. F. M.
3.00 Address by Rev. W. W. Scudder, superintendent for Washington, C. H. M. S.

3.15 Address by Rev. F. E. Jenkins, D. D., superintendent for the South, C. H. M. S.

3.30 Address by Rev. G. H. Cutler, eastern secretary, A. M. A.
3.45 Address by Rev. W. N. DeBerry, pastor St. John's church, Springfield, Mass.

4.00 Address by Rev. C. H. Patton, D. D., home secretary, A. B. C. F. M.

4.15 Prayer service.

4.30 Address (speaker to be announced).

Supper will be served at the chapel at 6.30 in the evening, to ticket holders, in connection with which brief postprandial addresses will be given by Dr. Jones, Dr. Jenkins, Mr. DeBerry and others, as time will allow.

THE NAVY YARDS
HERE AND AWAY

One Should be Left Here

The government has just completed the construction of two fine steel casemated tugs. One, named the Patapsco, was built at the navy yard, Portsmouth, N. H., and the other, named the Patuxent, built at the navy yard, Norfolk. The Patapsco will be stationed at the navy yard, Boston, and the Patuxent at the navy yard, Norfolk, and will add to the efficiency of those establishments.—Washington Star.

Capt. Bouch Acting

Capt. C. J. Bouch is acting commandant of the yard during the absence of Rear Admiral E. K. Moore in New York.

The Old Dry Dock

History and facts connected with the old wooden dry dock are once more being resurrected.

Capt. Zane Ill

Capt. A. V. Zane is confined to his home by illness. That it may

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be of short duration is the wish of the men of his department and of the yard in general.

Trial Postponed

The dock trial of the colliers Marcellus and Leonidas, which was booked for February 19, has been postponed.

Shipped as a Fireman

Bert Langley, a former employe of Jackson's Express Company has entered the navy as a fireman and at present is assigned to the Wash at Boston yard.

Want Twenty Days

It is understood that a board of survey have asked for some alterations on the gunboat Paducah to cover a period of twenty days.

Hot After the Moths

The hardest fight ever put up against the browntail moths is now in progress at the yard and it is expected that the pests will be cleaned entirely from the reservation in a week or so.

PROGRAM FOR LINCOLN CELEBRATION

The following is the program for the Lincoln one hundredth anniversary, which will be held on Friday evening at Freeman's Hall:

Concert by the U. S. Naval band, from 7.30 to 8 o'clock, by courtesy of Rear Admiral E. K. Moore, U. S. N. Selection, Lincoln's Birthday.

Arranged Riverside Male Quartet Invocation, Rev. W. A. Burch, D. D.

Remarks, Hon. Edward H. Adams, Mayor Selection, "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup."

Riverside Male Quartet Address, "How I Knew Lincoln," Commander Edwin H. Leslie, Storer Post, No. 1, G. A. R.

Selection "The Star Spangled Banner," U. S. Naval Band

Address, "The Lincoln Crisis," Hon. John H. Bartlett

Selection, "Three Little Piggies," Riverside Male Quartet

Address, "Abraham Lincoln and His Influence Upon the American People," Rev. C. A. Ward

Selection, "O Think of Thee," Riverside Male Quartet

Closing song, "America," Committee of arrangements—Haywood B. Burton, chairman; William T. Patillo, secretary; George H. Strangh, treasurer; Jasper H. Grant, Irving K. Merchant, Samuel B. Reed, James F. Slaughter; honorary members, Hon. Edward H. Adams, mayor of Portsmouth, Com. Edwin H. Leslie, Storer Post, No. 1, G. A. R.

AN OLD RESIDENT DEAD

John Wood a Prominent Citizen Passes Away at Home of Daughter

John Wood, one of the best known and oldest residents of this city passed from life to death at the home of his daughter Mrs. Arthur Thurler of Hanover street on Monday evening aged 82 years 1 month and 24 days.

His death was the result of a shock.

Deceased was a native of England but came to Portsmouth many years ago. He was in his younger days employed in the Kearsarge Mills where he labored until the factory was destroyed by fire.

He was a constant attendant at the Advent church where he worked for all that meant the uplifting of that congregation and parish.

Besides his daughter he leaves to mourn his loss three sons, Fred L. Wood, the well known merchant and Hayden L. Wood of this city, and another who has made his home in the West for many years.

OPINIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Fire Department

Editor of Herald:—

Is our fire department too large? Portsmouth has been fortunate the past few years in the matter of fire losses and the record proves the boast of the firemen that they do not allow the flames to spread beyond the buildings in which he starts, except on occasional cases. These exceptions are few compared with such experiences in other cities which causes the fact to be credited to good luck. We have a good sized fire department for what may be almost called a residential city.

The city has a low hydrant pressure, so it has been contended, and that we must be strongly fortified with steamers. This is a good argument but is there need of so much apparatus responding to single alarms and small fires? I was present at the Sunday morning fire on Bridge street and it seemed to me that there was a great deal more hose in use than was really needed. If there were many alarms during the year needless expense for horse hire would be great.

OLD FIREMAN.
Portsmouth, Feb. 8, 1909.

Just Thinking

Editor of Portsmouth Herald:—

I was thinking if it was good judgment on the part of that man from the central station on Hanover street in butting in on that drivers' position and, after getting elected, to resign (which he had a perfect right to do). At the same time it was the means of keeping some man out of a job for the time being and I think he has reduced his popularity somewhat in the move he made.

OBSERVER.

Portsmouth, Feb. 8, 1909.

They Know Their Business

Editor of the Herald:—

I will say for the benefit of a member of engine 3, or in fact the whole company, that the crew of the chemical at the Sunday morning fire used good judgment in doing as they did. The men attached to the chemical, under their judgment and the circumstances which surround a fire, can use either the hose from a hydrant or the line from the chemical tank just as the case may require.

Furthermore the chemical crew have always handled their work with credit and need no pointers from anybody of engine 3 or any other part of the fire department. A Friend of the Chemical Crew.

TO SEE HIS OLD FRIEND

Edward J. Moulton of this city, one of the California forty-niners, went to Exeter on Monday to see George L. Stokell, who was one of the Portsmouth party that went to the California gold fields and is now seriously ill at his home in that town.

STORER RELIEF CORP.

The regular meeting of Storer Relief Corps No. 5 will be held in G. A. R. Hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, at 7 p. m. sharp, as at 8 p. m. will be held exercises for the Centennial of Lincoln's birthday.

Per order of Pres. BERTHA L. SMART.

CARD OF THANKS

I desire most sincerely to thank all the friends, neighbors and the members of Union Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., who so freely and generously extended kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of my wife, also for the many floral tributes.

GEORGE J. CLOUTMAN.

INVESTIGATING THE FIRE

The board of engineers of the fire department were busy on Monday with a close investigation as to the recent fire on Bridge street.

LEROUS GETS NOTHING

Railroad Wins Suit Brought for the Loss of a Foot

For the second time the Boston and Maine railroad wins the case in which Constantaneous Lerous sues for the loss of about at the depot in this city.

The hearing has been in progress at the superior court at Exeter for the past week and went to the jury at five o'clock on Monday afternoon. After three hours the jury returned with a verdict for the railroad.

The plaintiff, Lerous, on his way from Dover to Ipswich on the day of the accident, changed cars at this station and claimed that, owing to ice on the platform, he slipped in such a manner that the wheels of the Dover passenger train passed over his leg.

The case was before heard at the October term of superior court in this city.

WHIST AND DANCING

Big Crowd Enjoyed Both at the P. C. U. Hall on Monday Evening

The P. C. U. basketball club conducted a very successful dancing and whist party at their rooms on High street on Monday evening, where players occupied forty-five tables at whist and at the conclusion of which some handsome and costly prizes were awarded the winner.

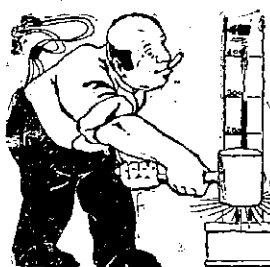
Dancing followed from ten o'clock to midnight and the music was furnished by Charles and Edward Lamonde.

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Owing to Maine observing Lincoln's birthday the employees of the Boston and Maine railroad at this station will be paid on Friday instead of the regular day, Saturday.

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